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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For

OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD

OF MANUFACTURING THE OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, AND METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING/

REPRODUCING OPTICAL INFORMATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1185 Ave. of the Americas New York, N.Y. 10036 January 20, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the Formalities Letter dated November 2, 2001, in the above-identified application, be extended for one month. A check in payment of the requisite extension fee of \$110 and applicants' response (executed Declaration) are submitted herewith.

If any additional extension fee is required to prevent abandonment of the application, please charge the amount of such additional fee to Cooper & Dunham LLP, Deposit Account No. 03-3125. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully,

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